## **CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION**

Title of publication: TBmoIxh.jpg

Other known title(s): Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 1800550.005

Medium: Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 15 February 2019

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 14 February 2019

## Summary of reasons for decision:

The file depicts a young girl being involved in sex by adults. It is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes under s 3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The file is intended for the arousal of adults with a sexual interest in children, and normalises and legitimises them as appropriate subjects for adult sexual attention. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however it is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that promote and support s3(2) criteria are deemed objectionable. The classification also reflects the concern of New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.